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Mr. Joseph Daughman  
430 Sterling Court  
Madison, Wisconsin

Dear Mr. Daughman:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 18 July 1953 to Mr. Dulles in which you urge that the United States Government give serious consideration to the employment of more displaced persons from Eastern Europe.

I wish to assure you that insofar as the Central Intelligence Agency is concerned we do not practice an arbitrary policy of discrimination against personnel who have relatives in countries behind the Iron Curtain. On the contrary, we consider each application for employment on its own merits with due regard given to security, as well as to administrative considerations such as budget limitations, organizational changes, and current staffing requirements.

Your thoughtful letter and your sincere desire to see the United States Government take advantage of the most experienced, mature advice available is genuinely appreciated.

Sincerely,

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L. K. White  
Acting Deputy Director

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